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This Bulletin, issued by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1938-39, 1948-49, 1949-50 and 1950-51, and monthly production for the latest six months (May to October 1951) are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

Figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. For each commodity the Authority responsible for the present collection is indicated alongside the title. Figures up to 1948-49 inclusive are taken from the Government Statistician's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June 30th, each year.

The scope of the bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

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SOURCE OF INFORMATION

The following is the key to the code of present collecting authorities:-

- C.&A. Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture.
F.A. Forest Authorities.
G.S. Commonwealth or State Statistician.
J.C.B. Joint Coal Board.
M.D. State Department of Mines.
M.P.D. State Building Materials Procurement Directorate.
T.&C. Commonwealth Department of Trade & Customs.

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Commodity	Source	Unit	Monthly Averages				Monthly Production					
			Year				1951					
			1938-39	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct.
FUEL: Briquettes	G.S.	Tons	33,329	46,558	48,464	42,617	47,061	48,306	49,691	51,022	50,368	
Black Coal	J.C.B.	"	26,900	12,900	11,684	10,966	12,645	12,618	14,200	15,400	15,600	15,600
Brown Coal	G.S.	"	303,624	585,044	634,997	606,852	695,492	697,729	721,675	*715,973	*675,663	
HEAT, LIGHT & POWER:												
Gas made in Gasworks	G.S.	Mill.Cu.Ft.	594	1,009	884	943	1,051	1,075	1,148	1,126	1,077	1,060
Total Electricity Generated	G.S.	Mill.K.W.H.	102	209	226	237	250	242	251	257	231	
BUILDING MATERIALS:												
Bricks	M.P.D.	'000	16,437	12,754	11,543	12,854	13,931	13,773	12,714	15,092	13,489	14,040
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	M.P.D.	'000 Sq.Yds	273	510	450	420	444	436	461	466	431	491
Tiles - Cement	M.P.D.	'000	252	1,290	1,539	1,680	1,859	1,824	1,951	2,064	1,936	2,262
- Terra Cotta	M.P.D.	'000	1,145	915	943	981	978	968	973	1,045	1,037	1,184
Sawn Native Timber	F.A.	'000 Sup.Ft.	10,016	23,488	26,173	26,458	30,202	26,490	30,382	31,018		
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:												
Paints - Ready Mixed Paint	G.S.	Gals.	15,415	89,746	96,800	124,131	150,030	146,541	153,303	159,851	138,328	140,873
Lacquers(Nitro-Cell)	G.S.	"	12,725	19,371	20,617	23,103	28,270	21,263	28,047	27,732	25,486	28,842
Enamels(Nat. & Syn.)	G.S.	"	5,251	34,572	42,185	45,469	60,215	48,729	51,020	56,968	56,462	65,157
Water Paints	G.S.	lb.	54,897	86,009	107,801	101,433	119,250	99,664	131,949	160,313	152,540	140,222
Soap - Household	G.S.	Cwt.	16,024	16,592	(a) 17,432	19,153	23,118	24,445	24,925	19,363	20,237	22,459
Toilet & Hand	G.S.	"	1,489	3,934	4,647	4,726	5,275	4,816	3,480	5,092	4,497	5,374
Flakes & Chips	G.S.	"	..	1,940	(b)	2,701	2,711	3,120	3,195	2,659	2,412	2,458
Industrial	G.S.	"	..	3,008	3,008	4,097	6,157	5,852	5,198	5,178	4,043	4,686
Sand	G.S.	"	3,156	673	4,967	1,906	1,143	616	310	408	1,048	2,017
Soft	G.S.	"	445	486	486	565	507	552	822	877	697	579
Liquid	G.S.	"	..	1,663	1,663	2,216	2,519	2,293	2,911	3,000	2,502	2,856
Extracts & Powders	G.S.	"	10,277	20,746	23,242	25,517	25,434	31,424	40,690	27,234	30,171	42,079
Superphosphate	C&A	Tons	39,854	49,679	51,497	51,564	66,662	60,930	50,186	63,433	44,054	55,631
Sulphuric Acid	G.S.	"	16,543	19,333	19,945	20,223	24,375	24,892	22,259	17,709	16,297	21,428
REFINED METALS: Gold												
BUILDING FITTINGS:												
Stoves - Solid Fuel (c)	G.S.	Number	1,439	914	931	1,253	1,538	1,431	1,440	1,425	1,421	1,669
- Gas (c)	G.S.	"	1,987	1,460	1,343	1,374	1,581	1,612	1,546	1,702	1,226	1,607
Coppers- Gas	G.S.	"	..	359	709	828	780	969	858	896	558	743
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	G.S.	"	..	523	759	793	948	938	898	968	697	735
- Gas	G.S.	"	..	458	247	712	713	865	612	964	314	792
Sinks, Stainless Steel	G.S.	"	..	4,008	4,176	5,390	6,659	5,249	5,293	5,552	5,268	5,972
Pans, Pedestal Earthenware	G.S.	"	..	..	2,970	3,030	3,357	3,315	3,153	3,345	3,427	..

(a) Includes Flakes & Chips.

(b) Included with "Soap - Household".

(c) Household and commercial cooking stoves in 1938-39, thereafter household cooking stoves only.

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PEDAL CYCLES(made and/or assembled)	G.S.	Number	4,130	4,002	3,518	3,577	3,690	3,319	3,861
ELECTRIC MOTORS: (a)												
Under 1 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	3,729	4,170	6,579	9,363	7,007	6,800	9,609	8,901	9,374
1 H.P. and under 2½ H.P.	G.S.	"	..	634	985	776	558	878	655	930	497	648
2½ " " 5 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	505	398	331	124	405	548	443	269
5 " " 10 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	158	179	148	296	62	154	121	461
COTTON SEWING THREAD: (counts over 12)	G.S.	lb.	..	..	42,257	65,747	77,819	76,970	77,067	86,907	85,891	78,714
COTTON TWEEDS:	G.S.	Sq.yds	154,435	68,863	79,003	81,042	89,739	79,180	88,397	101,884	93,040	91,673
WOOL TEXTILES: Scoured Wool(b)	G.S.	'000 lb.	3,172	5,153	4,698	4,135	4,639	4,262	4,059	3,579	2,882	3,790
Wool Tops	G.S.	" "	936	1,323	1,166	1,135	1,322	1,344	1,186	1,390	1,139	1,362
Yarn - Worsted	G.S.	" "	612	1,137	1,092	1,027	1,053	1,058	938	1,090	1,073	1,119
- Woollen	G.S.	" "	731	1,186	1,173	1,018	1,196	1,175	1,153	1,192	1,034	1,179
Woven Cloth	G.S.	'000 Sq.Yds	1,415	1,891	1,749	1,634	1,765	1,762	1,601	1,646	1,619	1,716
HOSIERY: Women's, Maids', Girls'												
Fully Fashioned & Circular	G.S.	Doz.Prs.	..	..	81,134	92,498	106,976	110,655	113,056	112,917	108,012	121,252
Anklets	G.S.	" "	..	..	21,659	24,578	25,296	23,375	26,641	25,883	22,935	29,513
Men's & Boys'	G.S.	" "	..	..	87,976	104,983	124,011	116,545	121,915	128,309	121,554	136,951
Children's	G.S.	" "	..	..	32,651	36,527	38,098	36,431	40,746	44,321	35,509	42,333
KNITTED UNDERWEAR: Men's	G.S.	Doz.	(c) 91,941	24,064	39,879	36,324	42,411	39,177	44,645	49,493	47,359	53,468
Women's	G.S.	"	(d)	62,523	77,575	74,732	77,744	77,248	80,913	87,158	79,948	94,332
Children's	G.S.	"	(d)	16,103	25,140	25,618	29,577	24,618	28,377	35,102	26,815	38,364
KNITTED OUTERWEAR:												
Cardigans, Jumpers, Sweaters, etc.												
Men's & Women's	G.S.	"	16,301	18,487	20,400	24,053	28,950	25,292	30,813	29,904	28,999	28,784
Boys' & Girls'	G.S.	"	4,420	8,404	6,706	7,270	9,153	5,670	7,929	10,761	*11,141	11,631
Bathing Suits	G.S.	"	1,944	1,757	1,839	1,264	97	86	2,641	3,076	2,845	3,158
CLOTHING (except knitted):												
Shirts - Men's & Boys'	G.S.	"	22,581	21,968	23,963	26,634	32,240	27,877	30,329	37,648	29,170	37,178
Pyjama Suits - Men's & Boys'	G.S.	"	6,097	6,637	6,380	5,299	6,710	6,110	5,967	6,657	6,139	6,190
GLOVES (not rubber):												
Dress - Leather	G.S.	Doz.Prs.	77	2,605	1,510	1,612	1,395	1,538	1,179	1,311	1,178	788
- Fabric	G.S.	" "	..	1,788	2,007	2,458	2,280	2,675	2,408	2,906	2,738	3,039
Work	G.S.	" "	1,187	1,309	1,211	1,216	1,346	1,283	1,806	1,301	1,446	1,471
FOOTWEAR (not rubber):												
Boots & Shoes	G.S.	'000 Prs.	622	610	634	670	749	726	724	779	710	780
Sandals	G.S.	" "	..	65	52	61	65	61	71	84	85	100
Slippers	G.S.	" "	352	379	358	361	389	373	354	399	400	387

(a) Figures include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturers.

(b) Includes carbonised wool.

(c) Includes women's and children's

(d) Included in Men's.

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FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:												
Flour (from Wheat)	G.S.	Short Tons	36,402	38,982	36,195	37,467	42,079	42,606	46,870	46,187	44,259	47,015
Biscuits	G.S.	'000 lb.	1,697	2,677	2,731	2,843	3,930	3,384	3,981	3,705	3,205	3,657
Confectionery:-Chocolate Basis	G.S.	" "	1,121	2,172	2,664	2,237	2,506	2,408	2,526	2,796	2,355	2,303
-Other	G.S.	" "	1,589	1,862	2,114	2,099	2,645	2,281	2,520	2,785	2,315	2,635
Beef & Veal	G.S.	Tons	9,499	9,835	10,551	11,263	12,656	10,684	10,333	10,998	10,554	11,609
Lamb	G.S.	"	4,890	4,415	5,569	3,850	2,248	2,008	1,735	2,029	2,691	4,906
Mutton	G.S.	"	6,454	5,147	6,708	4,633	3,828	3,157	3,075	3,129	3,381	4,824
Pork	G.S.	"	897	719	546	701	948	699	708	681	585	746
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight)	G.S.	"	614	850	661	644	734	615	614	658	535	599
Total Meat (in terms of fresh)	G.S.	"	23,688	21,271	24,273	21,322	20,678	17,384	16,687	17,732	17,939	22,900
Butter (factory only)	G.S.	"	4,718	5,003	5,292	4,838	2,279	2,068	2,807	4,408	6,274	
Cheese (factory only)	G.S.	"	720	1,529	1,774	1,898	668	599	853	1,465	2,510	
Processed Milk Products	G.S.	"	..	5,379	5,708	5,192	2,795	2,685	3,137	4,735	7,091	9,865
Ice Cream	G.S.	Galls.	88,801	321,363	234,389	430,418	205,042	187,710	190,742	260,845	395,265	491,764
Beer	T&C	'000 Galls.	2,621	3,663	4,155	4,454	4,921	4,362	4,623	4,776	4,228	5,065
Bran (from Wheat)	G.S.	Short Tons	7,937	8,240	6,973	7,226	7,668	8,545	9,273	9,048	8,803	9,497
Pollard (from Wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,515	8,222	7,258	7,353	7,859	8,788	9,428	9,580	9,157	9,539
Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	G.S.	Cwt.	11,786	16,241	14,814	11,808	21,135	19,521	18,153	9,240	4,142	3,559
Prepared Breakfast Foods (wheat)	G.S.	"	4,053	10,141	11,684	10,335	10,657	7,837	9,181	10,347	8,979	11,801
Edible Starch (Maize and wheat)	G.S.	"	..	7,514	8,208	8,298	8,636	8,157	9,248	7,428	6,023	7,741
Margarine - Table	G.S.	"	1,871	1,566	1,656	862	984	1,482	1,456	1,189	1,023	1,100
- Other	G.S.	"	5,403	5,875	5,735	5,784	7,835	7,885	9,073	7,709	6,705	6,350
Malt - Barley & Wheaten	G.S.	Bushel(40lb.)	202,093	272,558	287,020	310,699	347,342	330,763	350,369	359,006	320,720	331,581
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (a)	G.S.	'000 lb.	4,131	6,314	5,809	5,609	6,577	5,160	3,383	4,022	3,601	2,889
Canned Apricots, Peaches, Pears (a)	G.S.	" "	7,901	7,286	7,790	8,139	1,835	285	-	-	-	
Green Peas	G.S.	" "	80	342	225	293	..	..	..	..	..
Other Vegetables (b)	G.S.	" "	333	1,371	1,704	2,350	3,290	3,211	3,365	3,109	3,093	2,999
Tobacco Cigars & Cigarettes (c)	T&C	" "	634	813	850	867	928	741	894	857	1,234	
PERAMBULATORS (Inc. Pushers & Strollers)	G.S.	Number	1,757	4,110	3,990	4,473	5,804	4,646	4,518	3,872	3,386	3,649
MATTRESSES:												
Woven Wire, Link Mesh & Spring	G.S.	"	..	5,467	5,581	7,520	8,953	8,388	8,900	8,912	7,486	9,479
Inner Spring	G.S.	"	639	3,933	4,783	7,203	9,173	8,550	9,541	9,533	7,377	5,294
Soft Filled & Other	G.S.	"	..	9,889	10,015	11,576	13,194	11,237	11,642	11,171	8,232	8,029
FLOOR COVERINGS:												
Wool Felt & Carpets	G.S.	Sq.Yds.	..	74,629	107,006	130,202	168,488	199,112	157,129	156,789	144,630	150,480

(a) Includes Tasmanian production.

(b) Excludes all Tomato products.

(c) Victorian factory production to 1948-49, thereafter quantities on which excise duty is paid.